



FACT SHEET

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE: Drug Enforcement Administration



The U.S. Department of Justice's **Drug Enforcement Administration** (DEA) interacts and cooperates on significant drug investigations with three primary Philippine law enforcement agencies:

- Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA)
- Philippine National Police (PNP)
- National Bureau of Investigation (NBI)

DEA conducts and sponsors drug law enforcement training events in the Philippines. For example during 2013, the following training events were conducted:

- DEA organized a 5 week training course held at the PDEA Training Academy in Cavite for approximately 50 Philippine law enforcement officers covering various subjects to include basic drug investigation, human rights, firearms training, and basic first aid.
- DEA conducted 2 one week Airport Drug Investigation/ Interdiction Training courses at Clark and Cebu to support PDEA Airport initiatives.
- DEA conducted a Clandestine Drug Laboratory Investigation Course at PDEA Headquarters and donated related safety and laboratory analysis equipment



Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency in coordination with U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency conducts a chemical investigations course.

Philippine drug law enforcement officers are routinely sponsored to attend the U.S. International Law Enforcement Academy in Bangkok, Thailand for professional development and specific training.

DEA sponsors law enforcement infrastructure projects:

- A recent example is the Manila International Airport Drug Interdiction Task Force operations center at NAIA Terminal 3. In coordination with PDEA, DEA assisted with the establishment of the airport unit in response to the threat of drug traffickers using the Manila airport as a transit location. The office facility was inaugurated by Ambassador Thomas and PDEA Undersecretary Cacdac on April 19, 2013.